

The Acoustic Calendar



FESTIVALS

The following are not all Folk Festivals: some are Music Festivals, some are Family Festivals or Arts Festivals – but all contain at least elements that should be of interest to singers and acoustic musicians.

This file is updated as dates etc. become available.

2019

JANUARY

Friday 18th January to Sunday 20th January 2019:

Bradford on Avon: *Bradford Roots Music Festival*, Wilshire Music Centre, Ashley Road BA15 1DZ (01225 860100, <https://www.wiltshiremusic.org.uk/whats-on/bradford-roots-music-festival-2019-friday>)

Friday 25th January to Sunday 27th January 2019:

Bude: *Bude Folk Club Winter Warmer*, The Falcon Hotel, Breakwater Road EX23 8SD (01288 352005, <https://www.sites.google.com/site/budfolk/festival-p/upcomingevents>)

“Sing-arounds, music sessions, workshops – whatever you would like! We take over the Falcon Hotel and a jolly, musical time is had by all. There are occasional walks, and sometimes the odd craft session too! You tell us what you would like. The weekend ends with a Folk Club on Sunday from 7.30pm to 10.30pm. You are welcome to dip in and out of sessions and events over the weekend.”

Monday 28th January to Friday 1st February 2019:

Crowcombe (nr. Taunton): *Halsway Winter Warmer*, Halsway Manor (situated between Crowcombe & Bicknoller, off A358) Halsway Lane TA4 4BD (01984 618274, halswaymanor.org.uk/event/winter-warmer-2/)

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Thursday 28th February to Sunday 3rd March 2019:

Swanage: *The Swanage Blues Festival* (<http://www.swanage-blues.org/>)

APRIL

Friday 26th April to Sunday 28th April 2019:

Marksbury, Stanton Prior & Farmborough (Somerset Churches): *The Three Towers Music Festival* (<http://www.threetowersfestival.org/>)

Friday 12th April to Sunday 13nd April 2019:

Torquay: *Grinagog Festival* (<https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/grinagog-festival-2019-p1041323>)

MAY

Saturday 4th May to Monday 6th May 2019:

Brixham: *Pirate Festival* (<http://brixhampirates.com/>)

Monday 6th May to Sunday 16th June 2019:

Simonsbath: *Simonsbath Festival* (<http://www.simonsbathfestival.org.uk/joomla30/index.php>)

Friday 10th May to Sunday 12^h May 2019:

Dartmouth: *Dart Music Festival* (<http://www.dartmusicfestival.co.uk/>)

Friday 24th May to Sunday 26^h May 2019:

Lechlade: *Lechlade Music Festival*, Riverside Park (<http://lechldefestival.co.uk/>)

Friday 24th May to Monday 27th May 2019:

Bude: *Bude and Stratton Folk Festival* (www.budfolkfest.com/)

Friday 24th May to Monday 27th May 2019:

Chippenham: *Chippenham Folk Festival* (www.chippfolk.co.uk)

Friday 31st May to Sunday 2nd June 2019:

Cheltenham: *Wychwood Festival*, Cheltenham Racecourse, Prestbury Park GL50 4SH (<http://www.wychwoodfestival.com/>)

Friday 31st May to Sunday 2nd June 2019:

Kingsbridge: *Kingsbridge Food & Music Festival*, The Quay TQ7 1HS (01548 853195, <http://www.kingsbridgefoodandmusic.org>, <https://www.facebook.com/Kingsbridgefoodandmusic/>)

Friday 31st May to Sunday 2nd June 2019:

Weymouth: *Wessex Folk Festival* (<http://www.wessexfolkfestival.com/>)

Includes various pub sessions around the Old Harbour.

JUNE

Friday 7th June to Sunday 9th June 2019:

Bradinch: Bradinch Music & Arts Festival (Gerard Edwards: 01392 881105, 07837 530760, info@bradinchfestival.org, <https://www.facebook.com/BradinchMusicFestival/>)

Venues throughout the town.

Friday 7th June to Sunday 9th June 2019:

Chilthorne Domer (nr. Yeovil): *Home Farm Fest & Music Festival*, Home Farm, Main Street BA22 8RD (<http://www.homefarmfest.co.uk/>)

Friday 7th June to Sunday 9th June 2019:

Morchard Bishop (nr. Crediton): *Pennymoor Song & Ale*, The London Inn EX17 6NW (01363 877222; Sally Holland: 01363 85022, www.users.waitrose.com/~pennymoor)

“A weekend of singing and joviality. MUST BOOK IN ADVANCE. £15. Camping next to the pub.”

Sunday 9th June 2019:

Muchelney (nr. Langport): *Green Scythe Fair*, Thorney Lakes (just south of Muchelney) TA10 0DW (www.greenfair.org.uk)

11am till 11pm. Live music.

Friday 14th June to Sunday 16th June 2019:

Falmouth: Falmouth International Sea Shanty Festival (<http://www.falmouthseashanty.co.uk/>)

Friday 14th June to Sunday 16th June 2019:

Wimborne : Wimborne Minster Folk Festival (<http://www.wimbornefolk.co.uk/>)

Friday 21st June to Sunday 23rd June 2019:

Teignmouth: Teignmouth Folk Festival (www.teignmouthfolk.co.uk)

Saturday 22nd June 2019:

Rockhampton (nr. Thornbury): *Rockhampton Folk Festival* GL139DX (<http://www.rockhamptonfolkfest.org.uk/>)

Wednesday 26th June to Sunday 30th June 2019:

Pilton (nr. Shepton Mallet): *Glastonbury Festival*, Worthy Farm, Worthy Lane BA4 4BY (<http://www.glastonburyfestivals.co.uk/>)

Friday 28th June to Sunday 30th June 2019:

Carhampton (nr. Minehead): *West Somerset Folk Festival*, Recreation Hall (Mike Dibble: 01643 841597, enquiries@westsomersefolkfestival.co.uk , www.westsomersefolkfestival.co.uk)

Events include singarounds, concert, workshops.

JULY

Monday 1st July to Sunday 7th July 2019

Keynsham: Keysham Music Festival, The Memorial Park BS31 3SG (info@keynshamfest.co.uk , www.keynshammusicfestival.co.uk/)

Includes pub sessions and open mics.

Wednesday 3rd July to Sunday 7th July 2019:

Plaitford (nr. Romsey): ***New Forest Folk Festival***, 2 Powells Farm SO51 6EE (Helen Curtis: 07717 154574, info@nfpp.com , <http://www.newforestfolkfestival.co.uk>)

Thursday 4th July to Sunday 7th July 2019:

Over (nr. Gloucester): ***Barn on the Farm Festival***, Over Farm GL2 8DB (info@bornonthefarm.co.uk , www.barnonthefarm.co.uk/)

Full Price: £105. “An acoustic festival for indie and contemporary music. Shortlisted for Best Independent Festival 2015. Best Small Festival.”

Friday 5th July to Saturday 6th July 2019:

Uffculm (nr. Cullompton): ***Uffculme Music & Real Ale Festival***, Magelake Pavilion, Culmstock Road EX15 3DP (Jim Clancy: 01884 840172, https://www.facebook.com/pg/Uffculmereale/about/?ref=page_internal)

7pm to midnight on Friday, 3pm to midnight on Saturday.

Friday 5th July to Sunday 7th July 2019:

Sturminster Newton: ***UK Boogie Woogie Festival*** (<http://www.ukboogiewoogiefestival.co.uk>)

Monday 8th July to Sunday 14th July 2019:

Milford on Sea (near Lymington): ***Arts and Music Festival*** (<http://www.milfordfestival.org.uk/>)

Friday 12th July to Saturday 14th July 2019:

Lytchett Matravers: ***Wonky Donk Festival***, Halls Road Farm, Halls Road BH16 6DP (<https://www.facebook.com/wonkyville/>)

Friday 12th July to Sunday 14th July 2019:

Priddy (nr. Wells): ***Priddy Folk Festival*** (<http://www.priddyfolk.org/modx/>)

On & around the Green, free pub sessions & open mic.

Saturday 13th July 2019:

Romsey: ***Beggars Fair*** (www.beggarsfair.org.uk/)

Throughout the streets and in venues all around the town.

Friday 19th July to Saturday 20th July 2019:

Whiddon Down (nr. Okehampton): ***Chagstock Festival*** EX20 (organiser@chagstock.info , www.chagstock.info/) Full Price: £90.

Friday 19th July to Sunday 21st July 2019:

Bristol: ***Bristol Harbour Festival*** (0117 9276614, info@rem-events.com, <http://www.bristolharbourfestival.co.uk/>)

Friday 19th July to Sunday 21st July 2019:

Mitcheldean: ***Mitcheldean Festival***, Forest of Dean GL17 0SB (Andy Scarf: 01594 54445, <http://www.mitcheldeanfestival.fod.uk/>)

Friday 19th July to Sunday 21st July 2019:

Tolpuddle (nr. Dorchester): ***Tolpuddle Martyrs' Festival*** DT2 7EH (<http://www.tolpuddlemartyrs.org.uk/index.php?page=martyr-s-festival>)

Friday 19th July to Sunday 21st July 2019:

Wingfield (nr. Trowbridge): **The Trowbridge Festival**, Stowford Manor Farm BA14 9LH (<http://www.villagepumpfolkfestival.co.uk>)

Friday 19th July to Sunday 28th July 2019:

Guiting Power (nr. Cheltenham): **Guiting Music Festival**, Church Rd. GL54 5TX (enquiries@guitingfestival.org , www.guitingfestival.org)

Thursday 25th July to Sunday 28th July 2019:

Malmesbury: Womad Charlton Park, Charlton Park Estate, Charlton Park SN16 9DG (01666 822146, info@womad.org , <http://womad.co.uk/>)

Friday 26th July to Saturday 27th July 2019:

Poole: Beer and Bluegrass Festival, Branksome BH12 1AD (<https://www.beerandbluegrass.co.uk/>)

Friday 26th July to Sunday 28th July 2019:

Bridport: Bridport Folk Festival (Ian, contact for dance: lauriancox@yahoo.co.uk ; Tim, contact for trade stalls: <https://www.bridportfolkfestival.com/events.html>) Music and dance – three open air stages plus three indoor venues – ceilidhs and workshops.

AUGUST

Thursday 1st August to Sunday 4th August 2019:

Wickham (nr. Fareham): **Wickham Festival** (<http://www.wickhamfestival.co.uk/>)

Friday 2nd August to Friday 9th August 2019:

Sidmouth: Sidmouth Folkweek (<http://www.sidmouthfolkweek.co.uk/>)

Saturday 3rd August to Wednesday 7th August 2019:

Salcombe Regis (nr. Sidmouth): **Sidmouth Fringe Sessions: McBuzz's Barn**, Thorne Park Golf Centre EX10 0JH (www.sidmouthfringe.co.uk/)

Thursday 15th August to Sunday 18th August 2019:

Corfe Castle (nr. Wareham): **Purbeck Valley Folk Festival**, Purbeck Valley Farm, Valley Road, BH20 5HU (<http://www.purbeckvalleyfolkfestival.co.uk/>)

Friday 16th August to Sunday 18th August 2019:

Ottery St. Mary: Beautiful Days, Escot Park EX11 1LT (info@beautifuldays.org, <http://www.beautifuldays.org>)

Thursday 22nd August to Monday 26th August 2018:

Wadebridge: Cornwall Folk Festival (info@cornwallfolkfestival.com , www.cornwallfolkfestival.com/)

Various venues in the town.

Friday 23rd August to Sunday 25th August 2019:

Watchet: Watchet Music Festival, Parsonage Farm TA23 0HS (info@watchetfestival.co.uk , www.watchetfestival.co.uk)

Friday 30th August to Sunday 1st September 2019:

Kemble (nr. Cirencester): *Didmarton Bluegrass Festival*, Cotswold Airport (Kemble Airfield)
GL7 6BQ (didmarton-bluegrass.co.uk/)

Friday 30th August to Sunday 1st September 2019:

Lyme Regis: *Lyme Folk Weekend* (<https://www.lymefolk.com/>)

Friday 30th August to Sunday 1st September 2019:

Verwood: *The Wail* (formerly *Wareham Wail*), Oakfield Farm, Horton Way BH31 6JJ
(<http://www.wail.org.uk/>)

Traditional singarounds.

SEPTEMBER

Friday 6th September to Sunday 8th September 2019:

Swanage: *Swanage Folk Festival* (<http://swanagefolkfestival.com/>)

Friday 13th September to Sunday 15th September 2019:

Priston (nr. Bath): *Priston Festival* (www.priston.org.uk/festival)

Friday 20th September to Sunday 22nd September 2019:

Stroud: *Stroud Folk Weekend* (<http://www.stroudfolkfestival.co.uk/>)

Pub sessions.

Saturday 28th September to Sunday 29th September 2019:

Teignmouth: *Teign Shanty Festival 2018* (<https://www.teignshantyfestival.co.uk/>)

OCTOBER

Thursday 3rd October to Sunday 6th October 2019:

Swanage: *The Swanage Blues Festival* (<http://www.swanage-blues.org/>)

Friday 11th October to Sunday 13th October 2019:

Beer (nr. Seaton): *The Beer R & B Festival* (www.beerblues.co.uk)

Friday 11th October to Sunday 13th October 2019:

Bristol: *The Bristol Cajun & Zydeco Festival*, The Folk House, 40a Park Street BS1 5JG
(<http://bristolcajunfestival.com/index.html>)

NOVEMBER

Saturday 23rd November 2019:

Nailsea: *Nailsea Festival of Music* (<http://www.nfom.org.uk/>)